

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the Office Action of December 3, 2008, relating to the above-identified application.

A three-month extension of time, along with the associated fee, is filed herewith.

The allowance of Claims 1-21 and 23 is noted.

Claim 22 has been cancelled without prejudice to the filing of a divisional/continuation application.

Reconsideration at the Examiner's earliest convenience is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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